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| Application Number     | 10/686,798                |
| Filing Date            | October 16, 2003          |
| First Named Inventor   | Richard A. Sunshine       |
| Art Unit               | 1746                      |
| Examiner Name          | Joseph L. Perrin          |
| Attorney Docket Number | US20000055-1 / 71354-0249 |

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27  |  | Application Number       | 10/686,798                |
|   |  | Filing Date              | October 16, 2003          |
|   |  | First Named Inventor     | Richard A. Sunshine       |
|   |  | Examiner Name            | Joseph L. Perrin          |
|   |  | Art Unit                 | 1746                      |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)  |  | Attorney Docket No.      | US20000055-1 / 71354-0249 |

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## 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

| Application Type | FILING FEES |                       | SEARCH FEES |                       | EXAMINATION FEES |                       | Fees Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
|                  | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)         | Small Entity Fee (\$) |                |
| Utility          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 200              | 100                   |                |
| Design           | 200         | 100                   | 100         | 50                    | 130              | 65                    |                |
| Plant            | 200         | 100                   | 300         | 150                   | 160              | 80                    |                |
| Reissue          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 600              | 300                   |                |
| Provisional      | 200         | 100                   | 0           | 0                     | 0                | 0                     |                |

## 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

## Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
|--------------|--------------|----------|---------------|
| 48           | 3            | 50       | 150           |

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**SUBMISSION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c) IN SUPPORT OF**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

In response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2005, and in support of Applicants' Request for Continued Examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:  
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the complete listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.